

ARIZONA CROP PROGRESS



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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING JUNE 10, 2018

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: By the end of last week, 41 percent of durum wheat has been harvested compared with 34 percent last year, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Durum wheat conditions were rated mostly excellent to good. Ninety-five percent of barley has matured compared with 84 percent last year, and 67 percent has been harvested compared with 39 percent last year. Twenty percent of the cotton crop has reached the squaring stage compared with 34 percent last year. Cotton conditions were rated mostly fair to good. Alfalfa conditions were rated mostly good to excellent, depending on location last week with harvesting taking place on almost two-thirds of the alfalfa acreage across the State. Last week, Central and Western Arizona growers shipped cantaloupes, honeydews, mixed melons and watermelons. Central Arizona and some other districts growers shipped dry onions. In the North Central part of the State, soil moisture for forage growth and sustenance is gone and the remaining forage is drying and dissipating. Tank water is essentially non-existent. In the Northwestern part of the State, range conditions are dire. Ranchers are still selling livestock to reduce their normal herd numbers due to the impact of the ongoing drought. In the Southwestern part of the State, the hot weather has helped the cotton crop, but soil conditions continue to be very dry. In general, pasture and range conditions were rated mostly very poor to poor. For the week ending on June 10th, 6 of the 48 weather stations reported some precipitation with San Simon reporting the highest at 1.17 inches and Bisbee and Bowie reporting the lowest at 0.01 inches. All but 5 of the 48 reporting weather stations reported above normal temperatures. The highest temperature during the week was 112 degrees at Parker and the lowest was 34 degrees at Grand Canyon.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Barley				
Mature.....	95	90	84	NA
Harvested	67	55	39	44
Cotton				
Squaring.....	20	12	34	29
Durum wheat				
Mature.....	100	90	71	NA
Harvested	41	29	34	33

NA – not available

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DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for fieldwork.....	7.0	7.0	7.0	NA
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	4	4	15	NA
Short.....	10	17	10	NA
Adequate.....	81	75	75	NA
Surplus.....	5	4	--	NA
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	4	3	14	NA
Short.....	10	18	10	NA
Adequate.....	81	75	76	NA
Surplus.....	5	4	--	NA

NA – not available

(--) – zero

CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alfalfa hay				
Very poor.....	--	--	3	4
Poor.....	3	3	6	3
Fair.....	23	19	18	16
Good.....	42	46	30	38
Excellent.....	32	32	43	39
Cotton				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	1
Poor.....	2	2	--	--
Fair.....	55	52	3	17
Good.....	37	40	73	55
Excellent.....	6	6	24	27
Durum wheat				
Very poor.....	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	--	--	--	1
Fair.....	21	21	8	12
Good.....	32	37	68	56
Excellent.....	47	42	24	31
Pasture and range				
Very poor.....	69	69	1	18
Poor.....	26	25	22	23
Fair.....	10	4	27	32
Good.....	4	2	39	24
Excellent.....	--	--	11	3

NA – not available

(--) – zero

Arizona’s weather data can be accessed at the following:

http://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics_by_State/Arizona/Publications/Crop_Progress_&_Condition/2018/AZ-Weather-06102018.pdf

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